

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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| Application No.: | 10/531,259  | Confirm. No.: | 4669          |
| Filing Date:     | April 24, 2006  | Examiner:     | Doan, Trang T |
| First Inventor:  | Gisela Meister  | Art Unit:     | 2431          |
| Attorney No.:    | MEIS3002/JJC/BEL  | Customer No.: | 23364         |
| For:             | METHOD FOR CARRYING OUT A SECURE ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION USING A PORTABLE DATA SUPPORT |               |               |

REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
OF FEBRUARY 1, 2011

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the final Office action dated February 1, 2011 in the above-identified application.

In view of the following remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.